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BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 10, 2017 7:00 p.m.

Selectmen Present: Susan Silverman, Nancy Carney, Daniel Baker

Ms. Silverman called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

PRIMARY:

*** APPROVE MINUTES

- June 26, 2017

Ms. Carney made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Baker seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

*** APPROVE MANIFESTS

Ms. Carney made a motion to approve the manifests. Mr. Baker seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

*** REVIEW SIGNATURE FOLDER – The Selectmen reviewed and signed.

*** CONSTRUCTION PERMIT Map 7, Lot 28-16

Map 7, Lot 28-16 – Ms. Carney made a motion to approve the permit for Map 7, Lot 28-16. Mr. Baker seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

Ms. Silverman shared that she talked with Ms. Favreau about not only having an Occupancy Permit for a new structure but for a new use to make sure that what has been built matches the Construction Permit. Ms. Silverman also shared that this would increase the workload and wondered if we should have a hire for this. Ms. Silverman mentioned the possibility of sharing someone with another Town or do as a stipend position. Ms. Favreau would look into. Ms. Silverman also mentioned advertising internally. Mr. Baker suggested looking at the number of Construction Permits each Monday. Ms. Silverman suggested it could be a stipend position during building months. The Selectmen agreed there are difficulties with the process as it exists.

*** RAFFLE PERMIT

- Laurel Lake Association

Raffle Permit for Laurel Lake Association – Ms. Carney made a motion to accept. Mr. Baker seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

*** JUNKYARD RENEWAL APPLICATION Map 8, Lot 20

The Selectmen reviewed the Junkyard Renewal Application from Car Guyz Auto Recyclers, LLC.

Ms. Carney made a motion to approve the Junkyard Renewal Application. Mr. Baker seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

7:15 MEET WITH BRIAN FOUCHER, WIVALLEY

Brian Foucher shared that he received an assessment letter today for the tower. It maybe the new tower and he pointed out that they would have their tower down by December. Ms. Favreau explained the revaluation process. Mr. Foucher stated they had an agreement with the Town that they wouldn't build if they were being taxed. Ms. Favreau would check into this. Mr. Foucher submitted a Construction Permit for a premade structure within a chain enclosure. The 8X12 building was already approved by the Town. Mr. Foucher stated it was a precast concrete structure and they would install equipment on the new tower and remove the old tower. Mr. Foucher stated WiValley was not leasing from the property owner, they were leasing from BlueSky Tower and if they were going to be taxed, they may not upgrade or buildout. Ms. Favreau shared that the Town would tax BlueSky Tower. Mr. Foucher noted that Public Safety equipment, Mutual Aid and Cheshire County Sheriffs Department would be relocated to BlueSky. Ms. Silverman questioned whether the Construction Permit should come from BlueSky or from WiValley. After discussion, it was decided that BlueSky sign off on the permit or send in a letter. Mr. Foucher stated he would have BlueSky send in a letter.

Mr. Foucher mentioned that he had spoken with Bill Harper regarding the steeple repairs. The WiValley equipment needed to be removed and relocated to the outside posts. Mr. Foucher mentioned it would be an eyesore but he would like to proceed. Mr. Foucher asked the Board for their approval to start making those changes. Mr. Foucher would like to do the work within weeks and he would like to add the latest technology with better speeds. Ms. Silverman shared that Mr. Harper would be meeting with the Historic District Commission on July 20th and either Mr. Harper could talk about the WiValley equipment or Mr. Foucher could meet with them. Mr. Baker asked if the equipment would be damaged from the exposure. Mr. Foucher shared the equipment would be fine. Mr. Foucher stated he would coordinate with Mr. Harper.

Mr. Foucher discussed WiValley's new direction to broadcast at higher speeds. Mr. Foucher shared the expansion would focus on the downtown $-\frac{1}{4}$ mile radius from the Town Hall. Mr. Foucher cautioned that within the radius there are full trees where service may not be available. Mr. Foucher would like to do outreach because it's so local that he doesn't want a big outreach through the newsletter - would like to do a direct mail. Ms. Silverman shared that the newsletter would note the changes to the Town Hall. Mr. Foucher shared if a successful take rate, with permission, he would like to bring it to the depot. Susan Massin asked about the pricing. Mr. Foucher shared they lost money with the early roll out. They are offering something faster and better than FairPoint and it has value.

Ms. Silverman asked about FastRoads. Mr. Foucher stated that WiValley was a provider and has 97% of all customers on FastRoads. WiValley and First Light are the only providers. Ms. Massin shared that at the recent workshop she attended, they said wireless was the only way to go. Mr. Foucher shared they would be 20 feet higher going to the T-Mobile tower, which would help Northbound, may improve connectivity for customers. When they do the deployment, they would deploy the next generation. WiValley's existing customer base in Fitzwilliam could expect an offer of faster speeds. Mr. Foucher explained the challenges and associated costs.

Mr. Foucher would follow-up with Mr. Harper and would get a letter from BlueSky.

The Selectmen thanked Mr. Foucher for meeting with them.

7:45 MEET WITH POLICE CHIEF LEONARD DISALVO

- Discussion with Franklin Burnham
- Discuss Historical Society Common Rental Special Detail
- Cruiser Bid
- Non-Public Session RSA 91:A3 II(b) Hiring

Discussion with Franklin Burnham – Franklin Burnham, Ryan Burnham, accompanied by Chief DiSalvo, met with the Selectmen to discuss the cover to the tax maps. Mr. Burnham acknowledged that it was only the cover that had changed and not the maps inside. The Selectmen offered an option to help settle the matter but Mr. Burnham didn't feel that the option offered had anything to do with the cover. After a lengthy discussion, there was no resolution to Mr. Burnham's concern.

Ms. Silverman thanked Mr. Burnham for coming in and letting the Selectmen know what his concerns were. Ms. Silverman shared that Mr. Burnham could talk with Chief DiSalvo or meet with the Assessors.

Non-Public Session RSA 91:A3 II(b) - Hiring

At 8:15 p.m. Ms. Silverman made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(b). Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. At 8:26 p.m. Ms. Carney made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Ms. Silverman seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

Discuss Historical Society Common Rental – Special Detail – Ms. Silverman shared that last year there were problems with parking. They need some kind of organization at the beginning. Chief DiSalvo shared that he had talked with Gary Taylor and it has been taken care of. Special Detail would be from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. The Selectmen approved the Historical Society's Application for Rental of the Town Common.

Cruiser Bid – Ms. Favreau mentioned there were no bids on the cruiser. Chief DiSalvo stated it was too much money. Ms. Silverman shared she doesn't think the Keene Sentinel gets that much coverage. Mr. Baker asked if we could try Craigslist. Ms. Favreau asked if Chief DiSalvo could be the contact. Chief DiSalvo asked Ms. Favreau to put his e-mail on the listing. Ms. Favreau would take a picture of the cruiser and post. Chief DiSalvo shared that \$1,000 was a little high, but noted the car functions. Ms. Silverman suggested putting \$1,000 or best reasonable offer.

8:15 MEET WITH TERRY SILVERMAN, CHAIRMAN, PLANNING BOARD

Non-Public Session RSA 91:A3 II(b) - Hiring

At 8:29 p.m. Ms. Carney made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(b). Mr. Baker seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

At 8:31 p.m. Ms. Carney made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Mr. Baker seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

*** REVIEW LETTER FROM ART LIBBY – The Selectmen reviewed.

*** DISCUSSION OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FROM LARRY VINCENT

Ms. Favreau reviewed the process to-date with Larry Vincent and the work that he had done without a Construction Permit. Mr. Vincent is stating that he has de-installed the kitchen. Ms. Silverman reviewed the Selectmen's last letter to Mr. Vincent, notifying him that if the space wasn't returned to its original condition, he needed to submit a Construction Permit.

Ms. Silverman reviewed the Construction Permit and stated the fact the space was still a living space even though the water was disconnected. Ms. Favreau shared if someone came in with a Construction Permit to add a bathroom, the Selectmen would approve it. The Selectmen agreed that it couldn't be a separate living space.

Ms. Silverman would like to follow-up with a letter, verifying what Mr. Vincent has done and reaffirm where the Selectmen stand. The Selectmen agreed to sign-off on the Construction Permit when they have the letter.

*** REVIEW KMO PQDG REMOVAL REPORTING – APRIL – JUNE 2017

Ms. Silverman reviewed the April – June 2017 KMO Associates report for PQDG removal. There were 16 truckloads for a total of 86.36 cubic yards of PQDG removal. Ms. Silverman shared that DRED had been contacted a while ago without a response. Ms. Favreau shared that the Planning Board wrote to DRED. Ms. Silverman asked Ms. Favreau to ask the Planning Board to follow-up with DRED.

*** REVIEW E-MAIL FROM MARK STETSON, AVITAR Re: Solar Exemptions

The Selectmen reviewed Mark Stetson's e-mail regarding solar exemptions. Mr. Stetson asked if the Board agreed, he would have application forms available during the hearings for any of those with solar who may come in for a hearing and mail forms to those that don't. They would be taxed if they don't submit an application. The Selectmen agreed.

*** DISCUSS FEE FOR DEMOLITION PERMIT

Ms. Favreau mentioned when she created the new Demolition Permit she noticed that Peterborough charged a fee of \$50. Ms. Favreau shared that the Town used to charge a fee for what was being demolished. Then it was changed to no fee. Ms. Favreau noted the new applications have more regulations. Mr. Baker mentioned if it requires the Board to inspect something and we talked about hiring someone, there should be a fee to help cover the cost.

Ms. Silverman suggested setting the fee at \$50 and if an application comes in and if it's felt the fee was too high based on what's being demolished, the fee could be changed. Mr. Baker suggested having a range. Ms. Silverman noted if it's a hardship where someone's home burns down. Ms. Favreau shared no fee would be charged.

Mr. Baker made a motion to assess a range of \$25 - \$50. Ms. Carney seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Carney - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

OTHER BUSINESS:

-REVIEW LETTER FROM NH DES - Re: Map 1, Lot 8 – Old Pierce Road – The Selectmen reviewed.

-REVIEW MEMO FROM CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meeting Scheduled for July 17th at 7:30 p.m.

Re: Donation of Land - Map 16, Lot 14

Katie Metzger Town Forest – Request for Trail Feasibility Study

- The Selectmen reviewed.

-REVIEW TOWN OF HINSDALE'S SOLAR AGREEMENT - EXHIBIT C - PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES SCHEDULE - The Selectmen reviewed and asked Ms. Favreau to forward to Mark Stetson at Avitar.	
-REVIEW E-MAIL FROM LISA JACOBS – The Selectmen reviewed.	
Mr. Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:	55 p.m. Ms. Silverman seconded and the motion passed. 3-0
Submitted by:	
Sheryl White Secretary to the Board of Selectmen	Susan Silverman, Chairman
	Nancy Carney, Vice Chairman
	Daniel Baker Board of Selectmen